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Good morning Ms Cathy Thompson

October 7, 2016

Leading The News

Women In Midlife With A History Of Depression Appear To Be At Greater Risk For Heart Disease, Study Indicates.

[HealthDay](#) (10/6, Salamon) reports, "Women in midlife with a history of depression appear at markedly greater risk of suffering from heart disease," investigators found. After tracking some "1,100 women over 10 years, researchers found that depression was the only significant risk factor for coronary artery disease in women younger than 65 who had no history of heart ailments at the beginning of the study." The findings were scheduled for presentation at the North American Menopause Society's annual meeting.

Psychiatric News Alert



[NYC First Lady Describes ThriveNYC, Urges Psychiatrists to Be Advocates](#)

[Methylphenidate Monotherapy May Increase Risk of Mania in Patients With Bipolar Disorder, ADHD](#)

International College of Neuropsychopharmacology World Congress

The International College of Neuropsychopharmacology (CINP) is now accepting symposia submissions for the CINP 2018 World Congress taking place June 16 - 18, 2018 at the Austria Centre in Vienna, Austria. The CINP International Scientific Programme Committee welcomes the proposal of symposia that link the latest, and ground-breaking, pre-clinical developments with the clinical research on a given topic. [More information.](#)



Government and Psychiatry

ACA Customers Whose Policies Are Discontinued Will Be Matched To Alternative Policies.

The [AP](#) (10/6, Alonso-Zaldivar) reports the Administration is planning to match people who lose the insurance they have acquired in the exchanges to new policies in order to keep them from dropping out of the exchange. Some are concerned that the matching will confuse or disappoint the people being matched. It also plans to send "a constant stream of reminders" to those whose policy is ending during open enrollment for HealthCare.gov from Nov. 1 to Jan. 31. Still, the Administration says that those being matched will decide whether they want the policy.

[Fierce Healthcare](#) (10/6, Ferowich) reports that these customers will, when they log onto HealthCare.gov during open enrollment, see a message saying, "If your current plan isn't available for 2017, an alternate plan is displayed for you to consider." Consumers will also receive "a welcome packet and bill from the insurer," though they do not need to pay the bill or sign up with the insurer.

Psychiatry and Public Health



Police Officers Specially Trained To Help In Mental Health Crises In Short Supply.

The [AP](#) (10/6, Elias, Thompson) reports that police officers “specially trained” to help defuse situations involving “people in the throws of mental illness” are often “in short supply” and “unavailable in a crisis.” In two recent incidents in El Cajon and Sacramento, CA, people undergoing mental health crises were shot to death by police. In both cases, the cities “would like to add additional resources but neither has the money.”

APA in the News

Small Scan Study Finds Disrupted Prediction Error Signaling During Decision Making In Patients With GAD.

[Healio](#) (10/6, Oldt) reports researchers found “disrupted prediction error signaling during decision making among individuals with generalized anxiety disorder [GAD], suggesting prediction error may play a role in decision-making deficits and excessive worrying.” Included in the functional magnetic resonance imaging study were “46 individuals with” GAD “not taking medication and 32 healthy comparison subjects.” The [findings](#) were published online Sept. 15 in the American Journal of Psychiatry, a publication of the American Psychiatric Association.

Other News

Brain’s Ability To Process Speech Declines With Age, Small Scan Study Reveals.

[HealthDay](#) (10/6, Preidt) reports that “the brain’s ability to process speech declines with age,” researchers found after dividing “32 English-speaking adults into two groups – one with an average age of 22, the other with an average age of 65.” All participants “were given a speech comprehension test and also underwent brain scans.” The findings were published in the Journal of Neurophysiology.

Thursday’s Lead Stories

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